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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AFSP PFOR UK

SUBJECT: ASSIGNMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICER TO BERMUDA

REF: STATE 41874

1. THE FCO REQUESTED AN EMBASSY OFFICIAL TO COME TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE TODAY TO DISCUSS THE APPOINTMENT OF THE NEW AMERICAN CONSUL GENERAL IN BERMUDA.
2. AT THE MEETING THE EMBASSY OFFICER WAS HANDED THE LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE BY THE UKG OF MR. S. RICHARD RAND AS CONSUL GENERAL. THE LETTER ALSO STATES THAT THE QUEEN'S EXEQUATUR WILL BE ISSUED UPON RECEIPT OF RAND'S COMMISSION OF APPOINTMENT.
3. THE FCO OFFICIAL THEN INDICATED THE UKG'S DISMAY AT REPORTS EMANATING FROM BERMUDA THAT THE USG IS CONTEMPLATING APPOINTMENT OF TURNER B. SHELTON AS U.S. CONSUL GENERAL THERE.
4. THE FCO OFFICIAL MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT THE BERMUDA GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THAT SHELTON WOULD BE QUOTE ENTIRELY UNSUITABLE UNQUOTE AND THEREFORE WOULD PROBABLY REJECT ANY REQUEST FOR SHELTON'S APPOINTMENT AS CONSUL GENERAL TO BERMUDA.
5. THE FCO OFFICIAL ALSO HANDED THE EMBASSY OFFICER COPIES OF NEWSPAPER ARTICLES FROM THE MARCH 29 AND APRIL 1 ISSUES OF THE BERMUDA ROYAL GAZETTE WHICH SPECULATE ON THE SHELTON APPOINTMENT AND ARE CRITICAL

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OF SUCH AN APPOINTMENT.

6. PLEASE ADVISE.

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